

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Terrence W. Boyle, of North Carolina, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

William James Haynes II, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit.

Peter D. Keisler, of Maryland, to be United States Circuit Judge for the District of Columbia Circuit.

William Gerry Myers III, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

James Edward Rogan, of California, to be United States District Judge for the Central District of California.

Benjamin Hale Settle, of Washington, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Washington.

Norman Randy Smith, of Idaho, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit.

Michael Brunson Wallace, of Mississippi, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit.

Margaret A. Ryan, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces for the term of fifteen years to expire on the date prescribed by law.

Scott Wallace Stucky, of Maryland, to be a Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces for the term of fifteen years to expire on the date prescribed by law.

Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, Coast Guard, Navy.

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2:15 p.m., and adjourned at 6:32 p.m., until 9:30 a.m., on Thursday, November 16, 2006. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10976.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CAPITOL VISITOR CENTER

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Legislative Branch resumed hearings to examine progress of the Capitol Visitor Center construction, receiving testimony from Alan M. Hantman, Architect of the Capitol; Robert C. Hixon, Jr., Capitol Visitor Center Project Executive; and Bernard L. Ungar, Director, and Bradley M. James, Assistant Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office.

Hearings recessed subject to the call.

U.S. MILITARY OPERATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee concluded open and closed hearings to examine the current situation and U.S. military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from General John P. Abizaid, USA, Commander, U.S. Central Command; David M. Satterfield, Senior Advisor to the Secretary of State and Coordinator for Iraq, Department of State; Lieutenant General Michael D. Maples, USA, Director, Defense Intelligence Agency; and General Michael V. Hayden, USAF, Director, Central Intelligence Agency.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Armed Services: Committee ordered favorably reported 31 routine military nominations in the Army, Navy, and Air Force.

PUERTO RICO

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the December 2005 report from the President's Task Force on Puerto Rico's status, after receiving testimony from Representative Fortúno; C. Kevin Marshall, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Counsel, Department of Justice; and Puerto Rico Governor Aníbal Acevado-Vilá, and Ruben Berrios Martinez, Puerto Rican Independence Party, both of San Juan.

FOOD SAFETY

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee concluded a hearing to examine current challenges and new ideas to safeguard consumers relating to food safety, focusing on foodborne illness in general and the response to the recent outbreak of E. coli infections associated with fresh spinach, after receiving testimony from Robert E. Brackett, Director, Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, Food and Drug Administration, and Lonnie J. King, Senior Veterinarian, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, both of the Department of Health and

Human Services; Kevin Reilly, California Department of Health Services, Sacramento; Robert J. Whitaker, MissionStar Processing, Salinas, California; Terri-Anne Crawford, Franwell, Inc., Plant City,

Florida; Jeff S. Palmer, DayMark Safety Systems, Bowling Green, Ohio; and John Vazzana, Intralytix, Inc., Baltimore, Maryland.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 13 public bills, H.R. 6325–6337; and 8 resolutions, H.J. Res. 101; H. Con. Res. 495–496; and H. Res. 1083–1087, were introduced. **Page H8672**

Additional Cosponsors: **Pages H8672–73**

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest Chaplain, Chaplain Scott Crosley, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Campbell, Kentucky. **Page H8643**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

To convey to the town of Frannie, Wyoming, certain land withdrawn by the Commissioner of Reclamation: S. 101, to convey to the town of Frannie, Wyoming, certain land withdrawn by the Commissioner of Reclamation—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H8645–46**

New England Wilderness Act of 2006: S. 4001, to designate certain land in New England as wilderness for inclusion in the National Preservation system and certain land as a National Recreation Area—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H8646–49**

Providing a new effective date for the applicability of certain provisions of law to Public Law 105–331: H.R. 6325, to provide a new effective date for the applicability of certain provisions of law to Public Law 105–331; **Pages H8649–50**

Financial Netting Improvements Act of 2006: Concur in Senate amendments to H.R. 5585, to improve the netting process for financial contracts, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 395 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 522—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H8650–51, H8654–55**

Congratulating the St. Louis Cardinals on winning the 2006 World Series: H. Res. 1078, to congratulate the St. Louis Cardinals on winning the 2006 World Series, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 395 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 523; and **Pages H8651–53, H8655**

Making further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2007: H.J. Res. 100, to make further continuing appropriations for the fiscal year 2007. **Pages H8653–54**

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 1083, electing Representative Sekula Gibbs to the Committees on Education and the Workforce and Transportation and Infrastructure. **Page H8655**

Conditional Adjournment Resolution: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 496, providing for the conditional adjournment of the House and conditional adjournment or recess of the Senate. **Pages H8655–56**

Convening day of the 110th Congress: The House agreed to H.J. Res. 101, appointing the day for the convening of the first session of the One Hundred Tenth Congress. **Page H8656**

Authorization to print as a House document of “A History, Committee on the Judiciary, United States House of Representatives, 1813–2006”: The House agreed by unanimous consent to discharge from committee and pass H. Con. Res. 423, amended, authorizing to print as a House document of “A History, Committee on the Judiciary, United States House of Representatives, 1813–2006”. **Page H8656**

Clarifying the provision of nutrition services to older Americans: The House agreed by unanimous consent to H.R. 6326, to clarify the provision of nutrition services to older Americans. **Page H8656**

Speaker pro tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Tom Davis of Virginia and Representative Wolf, to act as Speaker pro tempore to sign enrolled bills and joint resolutions through December 5, 2006. **Page H8657**

Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, December 6, 2006. **Page H8656**

Agreed, without objection, the business in order under the Calendar Wednesday rule is dispensed with today, November 15, 2006. **Page H8657**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yeas-and-nays votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on